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SUBJECT: LABOR THREATENS NATIONAL STRIKE

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1. AT CLOSE OF CTM NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING FIDEL VELAZQUEZ ANNOUNCED THAT ALL PRIVATE SECTOR ORGANIZED LABOR WOULD STRIKE ON OCTOBER 1, 1973, DEMANDING 33 PERCENT WAGE INCREASE. VELAZQUEZ SAID CTM PLANS WOULD BE DISCUSSED AT CONGRESS OF LABOR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 14. SPOKESMAN FOR CONGRESS OF LABOR HAD ANNOUNCED SIMILAR INTENT TO STRIKE SEVERAL DAYS EARLIER. UNION LEADERS CLAIM 33 PERCENT INCREASE NECESSARY TO RECOOP PURCHASING POWER LOST AS RESULT PRICE INCREASES. VELAZQUEZ ALSO SERVED NOTICE THAT LABOR WANTED AN ESCALATOR COST-OF-LIVING

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CLAUSE MADE PART OF LABOR CODE, LABOR'S DEMAND FOR

FORTY-HOUR WEEK WAS ALSO RECONFIRMED.

2. COMMENT: SOME QUESTION EXISTS OVER LEGALITY OF NATIONAL STRIKE OF PRIVATE SECTOR CONSIDERING EXISTENCE OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS NOW IN FORCE. POSSIBLY LABOR MAKING POWER PLAY TO SUPPORT WHAT GOVERNMENT MAY ALREADY INTEND TO PUSH THROUGH LEGISLATURE, NAMELY, A COST OF LIVING INCREASE FOR PRIVATE SECTOR WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN SET IN MOTION BY PRESIDENT AND APPROVED BY CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES AND SOME FORM OF REDUCTION IN HOURS OF WORK OVER PERIOD OF TIME. A COMPROMISE OF BOTH DEMANDS MAY BE IN OFFING.
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